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Santiago Munne Practitioner's Docket No. 10/625100

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PATENT IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Santiago Munne

Application No.: 10/625100 Group No.: 1632

Filed: 07/22/2003

Examiner: Ms. Thaian Ton (571-2720736)

For: "Obtaining normal disomic stem cells from chromosomally abnormal embryos"

Commissioner for Patents

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**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL — PATENT APPLICATION RELATING TO BIOTECHNOLOGY FILED BY APPLICANTS WHO ARE SMALL ENTITIES**

**1. Petition**

Petition is made to have this application made special, as it is related to biotechnology Technology under the following rule 37 CFR 1.102 Advancement of Examination, MPEP 708.02 Section XII:

**XII. SPECIAL STATUS FOR APPLICATIONS RELATING TO BIOTECHNOLOGY FILED BY APPLICANTS WHO ARE SMALL ENTITIES**

Applicants who are small entities may request that their biotechnology applications be granted "special" status. Applicant must file a petition with the petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h) requesting the special status and must:

(A) State that small entity status has been established or include a statement establishing small entity status;

I, Santiago Munne, inventor, pro se, declare that this patent is assigned to Reprogenetics, which is a small entity as defined by Title 13 CFR Chapter 1, Part 121. Find attached my signed Small Entity Verification Form PTO/SB10.

I, Santiago Munne, inventor, pro se, declare this patent is not assigned, and I am an individual inventor. Find attached my signed Small Entity Verification Form PTO/SB09

(B) State that the subject of the patent application is a major asset of the small entity; and

The patent "Obtaining normal disomic stem cells from chromosomally abnormal embryos" dealing with the production of chromosomally normal stem cells from chromosomally abnormal embryos, is a major asset for me and would allow me to develop this technology and raise money to develop this technology further.

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(C) state that the development of the technology will be significantly impaired if examination of the patent application is delayed, including an explanation of the basis for making the statement.

The development of this technology will be significantly impaired if examination of the patent application is delayed.

The reason is that the patent status will determine funding for this project from interested parties which can exploit and use this technology for developing biotechnology products for the health and welfare of patient populations. Without a patent or, at least, an indication of the possibility of receiving a patent for this technology, this funding would not be made available and the technology's development would be significantly impaired.

This petition follows the FORMAL REQUIREMENTS OF PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL. It is 1

A) in writing; and it

(B) identifies the application by application number and filing date: which is

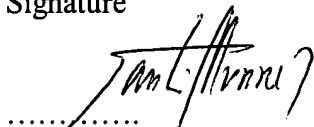
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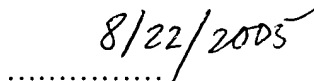
2. Fee

And a Credit Card Form 2038 is attached authorizing the USPTO to charge \$130.00

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Dr. Santiago Munne, Pro Se Inventor



Date

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## STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS

(37 CFR 1.9(f) & 1.27(b))--INDEPENDENT INVENTOR

Applicant, Patentee, or Identifier: Santiago Munne

Application or Patent No.: 10/625100

Filed or Issued: 07/22/2003

Title: "Obtaining normal disomic stem cells from chromosomally abnormal embryos"

As a below named inventor, I hereby state that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees to the Patent and Trademark Office described in:

the application identified above.

I have not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed, and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license, any rights in the invention to any person who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e). Each person, concern, or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention is listed below:

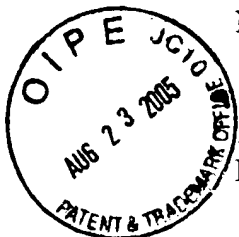
No such person, concern, or organization exists.

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

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Signature of inventor

Dr. Santiago Munne  
Name of Inventor

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Date



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